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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3668–3677. **Page S7628**

Measures Passed:

Commemorating Football Integration: Senate agreed to S. Res. 533, commemorating the 60th anniversary of the permanent integration of professional football by 4 pioneering players.

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Freedom to Display the American Flag Act:
Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 42, to ensure that the right of an individual to display the flag of the United States on residential property not be abridged, clearing the measure for the President.

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Stem Cell Research: Pursuant to the orders of June 29 and July 13, 2006, Senate began consideration of H.R. 810, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for human embryonic stem cell research, S. 3504, to amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit the solicitation or acceptance of tissue from fetuses gestated for research purposes (which was discharged from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions), and S. 2754, to derive human pluripotent stem cell lines using techniques that do not knowingly harm embryos (which was discharged from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions).

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Pursuant to the order of July 13, 2006, Senate will continue consideration of the bills at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2006, and at 3:45 p.m. begin consecutive votes thereon.

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Secretary of the Interior Authorization Act Referral: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 125, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, military, and other uses from the Santa Margarita River, California, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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Homeland Security Appropriations: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the July 13, 2006 passage of H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, the following previously agreed to amendments be further modified: Pages \$7632-50

Gregg (for Pryor) Modified Amendment No. 4642, to increase funding for technical assistance.

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Gregg (for Lott) Modified Amendment No. 4570, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security Inspector General to investigate the conduct of insurers in settling certain claims resulting from Hurricane Katrina.

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Gregg (for Warner) Amendment No. 4578, to increase funding for the Office of National Capital Region Coordination.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 8:43 p.m., until 9:45 a.m., on Tuesday, July 18, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$7651.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ENERGY POLICY ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementation of

the Energy Policy Act of 2005 provisions on hydrogen and fuel cell research and development, after receiving testimony from David Garman, Under Secretary of Energy; Donald L. Paul, Chevron Corporation, San Ramon, California; James D. Balcom, PolyFuel, MountainView, California; J. Byron McCormick, General Motors Corporation, Detroit, Michigan; and Timothy D. Leuliette, Metaldyne Corporation, Plymouth, Michigan.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Christina B. Rocca, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R.5808–5821; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 915–917, 919 were introduced. **Page H5280**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: A report was filed on Friday, July 14th, as follows:

H.R. 4132, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for officers and employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who obtain knowledge of criminal conduct within the jurisdiction of State and local prosecutors and fail to so inform those prosecutors, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–564).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5024, to require annual oral testimony before the Financial Services Committee of the Chairperson or a designee of the Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, relating to their efforts to promote transparency in financial reporting, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–565);

H.R. 5068, to reauthorize the operations of the Export-Import Bank, and to reform certain operations of the Bank, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–566);

H.R. 5018, to reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–567);

H.R. 2925, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–568);

H.R. 5074, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 to provide for continued payment of railroad retirement annuities by the Department of the Treasury (H. Rept. 109–569);

H. Con. Res. 145, expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling (H. Rept. 109–570, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3043, to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to carry out a pilot program to insure zero-downpayment mortgages for one-unit residences, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–571);

H.R. 5527, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to restructure mortgages and rental assistance for certain assisted multifamily housing, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–572);

H. Res. 918, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 88, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage (H. Rept. 109–573);

H.R. 5684, to implement the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement (H. Rept. 109–574);

H.R. 5337, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, and for other purposes, with an amendment; (H. Rept. 109–523, Part II);

H.R. 1956, to regulate certain State taxation of interstate commerce, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–575); and

H.R. 5323, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide for ceremonies on or near Independence Day for administering oaths of allegiance to legal immigrants whose applications for naturalization have been approved (H. Rept. 109–576).

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5225